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	Level 4 – Exemplary	Level 3 – Excellent	Level 2 – Good	Level 1 – Emerging
Includes sketches, color renderings, and fabric swatches for each costume in a chosen play.	Artfully and accurately drawn sketches and color renderings, and carefully selected fabric swatches, all of which support an insightful and cohesive costume design for a specific play.	Well-drawn sketches and color renderings, and carefully selected fabric swatches, which support a cohesive costume design for a specific play.	Sketches, color renderings, and selected fabric swatches, which support a costume design for a specific play.	Sketches, color renderings, and/or fabric swatches are incomplete, poorly drawn, or do not support a cohesive costume design.
Script Analysis An analysis of the script in terms of the period, and each character's class, status, gender, and other relevant characteristics.	Thoughtful and detailed analysis of each character's relevant attributes (such as class, status, gender, etc.) that impact the costume design.	Detailed analysis of each character's relevant attributes (such as class, status, gender, etc.) that impact the costume design.	Analysis of each character's relevant attributes (such as class, status, gender, etc.) that impact the costume design.	Partial or incomplete character analysis.

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Research Journal and Support Materials	Well-articulated statement of artistic vision.	Clear statement of artistic vision.	Statement of artistic vision.	Artistic vision unclear.
Written journal including artistic vision, analysis of the selected play, research materials and notes, and visual elements including	Insightful script analysis shows how the design clearly reinforces the themes and ideas of the play.	Careful script analysis shows how the design reinforces the themes and ideas of the play.	Some script analysis in terms of design.	Limited script analysis.
photos of source ideas and visual metaphors.	Comprehensive research materials that include historical and cultural elements that affect the costume design.	Good research materials including historical and cultural elements that affect the costume design.	Research materials include scattered historical and cultural references that affect the costume design.	Lacks research materials.
Interview Discuss your design	Insightful discussion of involvement and goals in theater.	Good discussion of involvement and goals in theater.	Some ability to discuss involvement and goals in theater.	Limited discussion of involvement and goals in theater.
process and choices, and your artistic vision and goals. Reflect on past and present theatrical experiences,	Well-articulated description of artistic vision and process.	Fine description of artistic vision and process.	Describes artistic vision and process.	Does not describe artistic vision or process.
and articulate goals for the future.	Responds with creative ingenuity to questions.	Responds clearly to questions.	Responds to questions.	Does not respond clearly to questions.